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Advertiser/News' AAA 8-10 Squad Captures League Championship



THE AGAWAM ADVERTISER/NEWS, sponsoring this Agawam Athletic Association squad for the second consecutive year, watched their kids recently cop the 8-10 boys baseball championship at the Robinson Park Field. Turning in a great job from the bench this season were coaches, back row from left; Joe Corgan, Dan Greene and John Hyland. Team members include: Middle row from left, Jeff Luttrell, Chris DiTomaso, George Corgan, Derek Vantassell, Travis Hyland and Vincent Cremonti. Front row, Todd Greene, Scott Anderson, Chris Corgan, Todd Hyland, Paul Frankenberg, Shawn Marion and Andrew Allen. Last year virtually the same squad reached the championship final before bowing to D.C. Automotive. Photo by Jack Devine.

Draghetti's Run In Nardi Road Race



WE DIDN'T HEAR OF ANY other brother-sister team competing in the Donald Nardi Memorial Road Race on Sunday except for the Draghetti's, Steve (a police officer in Agawam) and sister Joanne who looked pretty good after the race. Photo by Jack Devine.

Council Passes Cops, Firemen & Partial Park & Rec. Funds

Town Council Monday evening approved the rehiring of three police patrolmen, restored one sergeant position back to fulltime status, funded two laid-off firefighters and restored \$40,500 back into the Parks Department budget.

The last minute action by the council to supplement the fiscal 1981-82 municipal budget came on recommendations by Town Manager Richard J. Bowen.

The restoration of the three patrolmen has seemingly cooled an ugly battle between Bowen and the patrolmen's union over the lay-offs.

Funding for the Parks Department, which was completely eliminated in the council-approved budget, calls for \$7,500 for a director which apparently will be Assistant Department of Public Properties Director Jack Kunasek, who was absorbed into that department.

The council approved \$20,000 for professional services in the parks budget which is \$5,000 less than the \$25,000 sought by the Agawam Hockey Association and the Agawam Athletic Association.

Councilor at-large Robert DeForge at Monday's meeting said that the allocation must be distributed among all youth-related organizations equally. "A

child is a child no matter who he plays for," DeForge added.

Bowen said he prefers that one organization be designated the benefactor of the funding and that this organization would be accountable for the funds and the programs offered via the town money.

Bowen said, "It would be a nightmare to solicit particular programs and evaluate them for all organizations in town. I would prefer one to come forward and say that they can provide these programs. It could be something brand new."

Bowen said it remains uncertain what will transpire on the funding, adding, "We want to test the water. We're not looking to discourage any organization to be as self-sufficient as it can be. I won't prejudice what will happen but I believe it will be hairy."

Councilor Walter Kerr asked whether the funds would be put out to bid, prompting this response from Bowen: "I know of no company which provides these types of services. We're looking for one organization to come forward with specifications."

The council also approved \$13,000 for temporary summer groundskeepers to maintain the parks and playgrounds.

Food Mart Sponsors "Twinkie The Kid"



FOOD MART EMPLOYEE JANE RAIMONDI says that the popular "Twinkie The Kid" of Hostess will appear at the local store on Friday, July 10th between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. to greet the kiddies with balloons and good cheer. Food Mart has planned guest appearances by several kid-pleasers this summer and cordially invites the public. Photo by Jack Devine.

Vacancy Left By Bonavita Won't Be Filled Until November

Town Council has upheld a ruling from Council President Paul Fieldstad that the vacated seat of former councilwoman Elaina Bonavita will remain empty until the November elections.

An attempt by Councilors Richard Theroux and Andrew C. Gallano at Monday's council meeting at the public library fell by the wayside when councilors voted 9-5 to uphold Fieldstad's ruling that Bonavita's seat could not be legally filled by the council.

Gallano Incensed

Fieldstad's ruling touched off several verbal barages by Gallano, who accused Fieldstad and several of his supporting councilors of attempting to "keep the seat vacant so that a pro-manager individual does not have the chance to fill it."

The issue of residency keyed the hot debate on Fieldstad's refusal to allow Theroux' motion to discuss the nomination and appointment of an individual to fill the seat.

Fieldstad claimed that Bonavita had not moved from the community on June 23 when she left for a claimed vacation in Texas and that her much publicized resignation, effective June 30, still stood.

If the Bonavita had no longer been a resident prior to her June 30 resignation date, (before 18 months of her term had expired) the council could appoint a new

member to fill the vacancy until January 1.

The argument swayed back and forth about Bonavita's residency with Town Clerk Edward A. Caba noting that Bonavita had been paid for her services as a councilwoman through June 30.

Caba said Bonavita's resignation was effective June 30 and no other challenges had been raised on the issue.

Prior to the council debate, former Precinct One councilwoman Anita Davilli, whose Feeding Hills address was being used by Bonavita to forward mail, scored Gallano on his position on Bonavita's residency.

Was A Resident

Mrs. Davilli said Bonavita was a resident until June 30 when she decided to stay in Texas after she found a job.

Gallano charged Fieldstad with supporting a mayor form of government as the motivating factor for keeping the seat vacant.

Fieldstad denied the charge, saying the issue was moot.

Councilors dissenting on Fieldstad's decision were Francis Colli, Frederick Nardi, Stephen Cincotta, Theroux and Gallano.

P. O. Urges Notice Of Change Of Address

According to Agawam Postmaster Robert DeForge and Feeding Hills Postmaster Joseph Dahdah, Americans are receiving more mail than at any time in postal history, yet when preparing to move, one of the most overlooked of all procedures is notifying the proper parties of the change of address. Undeliverable-as-addressed mail has become one of the hidden costs of mailing.

The local postmasters say the Postal Service spends about \$550 million a year to handle an estimated 4.5 billion pieces of mail that are undeliverable. This expense eventually ends up within the price of postage

stamps and could be simply avoided.

The Postal Service urges customers to inform correspondents at least 30 days before a scheduled move of a change of address. They are launching a new effort to get change-of-address kits into circulation employing commercial organizations such as moving companies or real estate firms to help distribute them.

These kits contain convenient cards for notifying the postmaster, publishers, businesses, doctors, utilities, and so on of change of address. It also includes a checklist of groups and individuals to be contacted prior to a move.

As peak moving dates fall between June and August, the postmasters urge all customers to keep these kits in mind if needed.



FROM THE THIRD

By Rep Edward W. Connelly

Budget Holdup Shameful Demonstration

Eight days after the beginning of the fiscal year 1982, the Commonwealth is still without its budget. A shameful demonstration of a battle for power between the House Speaker and the Senate President, at the expense of state employees, welfare clients, the elderly and every citizen of the cities and towns in Massachusetts.

The Senate has thwarted the Governor's effort to provide emergency money in order to maintain services, by amending two messages beyond the scope of constitutional prerogative - and by voice vote!

The fiscal crunch, however, seems to be looming larger and larger each day and there is evidence that the two dominant figures will finally meet and, hopefully, agree to compromise the jobs hang-up, local aid amounts and distribution formulae. Once such agreement has been reached, the conference committee can then meet to resolve the line item differences.

The process is tedious, clearly extraordinary and seemingly unnecessary, yet it is a pattern that has been in effect for a hundred years. It will continue to be an enigma unless a change in procedure can be effected whereby a joint committee of ways and means will design the Commonwealth budget for passage by both branches simultaneously. Unless this occurs, I predict this continuing farce could well be the foundation for an eventual unicameral legislature.

EDITORS NOTE: Ed Connelly's column was prepared at press time. We have learned that agreement has virtually been reached by the heads of both branches of the Legislature. If all major differences are set aside we could have a state budget before the week is out. That is good news despite, as Connelly has pointed out before, the entire situation is shameful.

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Treasurer Finds Interest In His Work

During fiscal 1981, which ended June 30th, the town has become richer by \$516,672 in interest earned on investments, according to David C. Gallano, town treasurer/collector.

Investment earnings during the previous three years were \$140,930 in 1978; \$196,529 in 1979; and \$458,941 in 1980 for a four year total of \$1,313,072. The 1981 figure represents a 12.5% increase over the previous year.

All of the earnings were made from use of surplus funds, increased tax collections, and available project funds.

Gallano indicated that the excellent cash flow available to the town during the year just completed has practically eliminated temporary borrowing in anticipation of tax collections, thus saving borrowing expenses.

"The town has not borrowed in anticipation of taxes during the past 6½ years," Gallano said. "The excess of 1.3 million dollars earned during the past four years has had a positive effect on the town's tax rate. The 1981 sum of \$516,000 alone will represent a savings of approximately \$2.5 in the tax rate."

The earnings are put into the town's general fund and become part of the "free cash" of a future year and are also available to reinvest and earn more interest until used, according to Gallano.

"The use of a new cash controller mini-computer leased from the the BayBank Valley has increased the efficiency of the department relative to investments and has shortened the non-investment time of available funds, down to only a couple of hours, instead of days," Gallano stated.

Records in the office show that in excess of \$5,800,000 of the town's available money, as of June 30th, rests in interest bearing accounts, certificates of deposits and other short term investments.

A cash management study done by the town treasurer with the assistance of Rick Bellico, assistant vice-president at BayBank Valley, and other bank executives, has resulted in greatly improved procedures.

Gallano said one reason the town made so much interest this year is not only the department's investment policy, but excellent interest rates available.

He indicated that a beefed up collection policy will be in force this year with special emphasis on shortening the tax title extension time. He also declared he will enforce collection of tax titles in the courts, process bills for library book delinquents, and in collection for water and sewer connections in the smaller claims court.

The treasurer will request transfer of funds from the Town Council to finance court costs, which are recoverable from the delinquent taxpayers through court orders.

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On Local Politics

By Stephen Gazillo

Perhaps the most controversial issue in the new budget begun July 1 is the steep hike in water and sewer rates.

Town Council, after listening to the advice of Manager Richard J. Bowen and Department of Public Works Superintendent John P. Stone, passed a rate increase that means a 40 percent hike in water rates and a 125 percent rise in sewer rates. The increase accounts for approximately \$600,000 in the budget.

Those who argued in favor of the increase pointed out the necessity to make both departments completely self-sufficient, and to remove their dependency on the general fund. In the past, both departments essentially used money raised from property taxes in order to be solvent.

Under Proposition 2 1/2, the rate increase was critical, not as a means to circumvent the intent of the tax cutting measure, but to account for all expenses in each department.

It should be pointed out that the new tax law includes provisions that suggest water and sewer departments should be run as self-sufficient departments, able to charge fees up to the amount it costs to run them.

There is now a possibility that voters here will have a chance to decide whether or not the rate increase should be allowed.

Former councilor at-large Valentine Moreno has petitions circulating to put the issue to the voters and apparently will file the petitions soon with the required 1,200 signatures.

At this point in time, it is hoped that people understand what they would be voting for by before pulling any levers.

First, a vote against the fees would mean that \$600,000 - the amount the DPW and the manager point out as cash needed to run the departments as self-sufficient operations - would have to be taken out of the general fund. Has anyone thought what that might do to existing operations?

As it is now, this \$600,000 loss of income - should voters decide to return to last year's rates - would turn the current budget into financial chaos, and the integrity of the town's finances would be in jeopardy.

Some of the projects that would have to be stopped include the half million Feeding Hills Sanitary Sewer Project - though even taking the money needed to run that away, there is still \$400,000 or so to be made up. Do people want to lose other services provided in the budget?

One has to question the motivation behind those who are fighting to bring fees to a referendum in November. Is it really in the interest of the town? Can we afford to take the \$600,000 loss.

No one likes to pay more for water and sewer services, but presented as it has been - that people are paying no more for the services than the cost to run the departments - the arguments against the increase seem to take on purely opportunistic overtones.

If Agawam's citizens decide they want to return to the old rates, they should be prepared for the outcome, and should be mindful that "there is no such thing as a free lunch."

Lioness Club Inducts New Officers



ON JUNE 18TH THE AGAWAM-FEEDING HILLS Lioness Club held their installation of new officers for the 1981-82 year at the Squires Restaurant. New officers include, from left, Pat Bachelder, treasurer; Elaine Roberts, secretary; Joy Poggi, past president; Lucille Camyre, new president; Grace Phillips, vice-president. Photo by Jack Devine.

UNICO To Hold Chicken Bar-B-Q



MEMBERS OF THE UNICO CHICKEN BAR-B-Q committee to be held on Sunday, August 2 are, from left, Paul Ferrarini, publicity; Peter Forastiere, co-chairman, Thomas Cascio, UNICO president, and Dicky Dilullo, co-chairman. Photo by Jack Devine.

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Cathy Coburn engaged to Paul Mowrer.

Local Man Engaged To Arkansas Native

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Coburn of Harrisburg, Arkansas, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Cathy Ann to Paul Dean Mowrer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Mowrer of Agawam.

The bride-elect is a 1978 graduate of Harrisburg High School and has attended Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas, for two and a half years. She is employed for the summer by American Greetings Corporation in Harrisburg.

Mr. Mowrer is a 1977 graduate of Agawam High School and of Harding University with a B.A. in music education. He is employed as band director for the Salem, Arkansas, School system.

An evening wedding is planned for July 24th in Harrisburg.

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Car Wash To Benefit Academy Twirlers Trip

Members of the Academy of Artistic Performance workshop parents will hold a car wash featuring a dunking machine on Saturday, July 11, at the Agawam Middle School. Proceeds will aid in sending students to the international competition at the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, to compete July 25-August 2.

The car wash will be conducted from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for 99¢ per vehicle. Three balls to throw at the unsuspecting individual in the dunking machine will be available for 50¢.

Townpeople are encouraged to attend, have some fun, and help these talented students on their way to competition.

Raffle Winners Announced

The winners of the Agawam raffle to benefit the American Cancer Society were drawn at the Agawam Food Mart by manager Jim Maloney.

Aldo Lombardi of Ludlow won first prize and a large food basket. George Witbeck of Suffield won second and a box of cheer. Bruno DiVito of Agawam won third prize, a basket of paper goods.

A profit of \$255 went for cancer research.

Garden Club Sets Meeting

The Agawam Garden Club will hold a picnic and garden walk at Stanley Park in Westfield on July 14th.

Members are asked to bring a box lunch and meet in the main parking lot at Stanley Park by 6 p.m. Guests are invited to attend.

Jr. Grange Celebrates 25th Anniversary

Community Junior Grange of Feeding Hills will celebrate its 25th anniversary on Sunday, July 12, at 2:00 at the Grange Home on North-West Street.

Mrs. Connie West of Williamsburg, a member of National Junior Grange Committee, will speak preceding a musical program. Pauline Sosnowich, matron of the Junior Grange, will be mistress of ceremonies.

A majority of past masters and charter members are expected to be in attendance. Refreshments will be served. Co-chairmen are Mrs. Muriel Thayer and Miss Florence Blish.



Mrs. Wendy Rose Telford

Dicranian-Telford Nuptials Announced

Wendy Rose Dicranian became the bride of Barry Lee Telford on Saturday, May 9, 1981, in St. Thomas the Apostle Church, West Springfield, with Rev. Richard Bondi officiating at the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Dicranian of Nelson Street, West Springfield, and the groom is the son of Mrs. Carolyn Telford of Barney Street, Agawam.

Serving as honor attendants were Diane Dicranian, sister of the bride, and R. Brian Telford, brother of the groom. Standing as ushers were John Dicranian and Kenneth Walker. Bridesmaids were Annie Granger and Cheryl Walker.

Mrs. Telford, a pension services technician at Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, graduated from West Springfield High School and received an associate's degree from Holyoke Community College.

Mr. Telford is graduate of Agawam High School and attended Holyoke Community College. He is currently employed by Digital Equipment Corporation.

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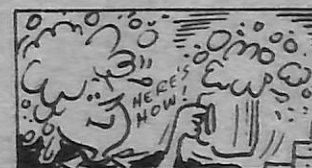
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Hi-Lighters To Hold Dance

The Agawam Hi-Lighters Square Dance Club will hold a dance at Stanley Park, Westfield, MA on Saturday, July 11th at 7:30 p.m. The caller will be Bob Turnbull and Lyn Beatty will cue the rounds.



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"On The Clothesline"



By Penny Stone

A couple of weeks ago we told you about MARK MORRISON's full scholarship to WPI. Now we have exciting news about his 23-year-old brother SCOTT.

A recent graduate of Westfield State College, Scott has long been interested in a career as an athletic trainer, but until a month ago didn't know how he would be able to break into the field. And now things seem to be falling into place very nicely for him.

It all started when his parents, MR. & MRS. JAMES MORRISON of 135 School Street, read an article in the Sunday paper about a man named H. Royer Collins, who is an orthopedic surgeon specializing in the treatment of sports injuries. Collins is, in fact, assistant team physician for the Los Angeles Lakers. Oddly enough, MARION realized that Collins is a distant cousin to her son, Scott Royer Morrison!

Since Scott was at that time in California visiting his Agawam pal TONY KARAM, his mother suggested that he try to contact Collins on the chance that he'd give Scott some career pointers. As luck would have it, Collins was very glad to be approached, and he put Scott in touch with JACK CURRAN, trainer for the Lakers basketball team! Coincidentally, Curran is formerly from the Feeding Hills area.

Scott and Tony were given the rare opportunity during spring break of attending all the Lakers home games, meeting the players (including giants like Jerry West, Magic Johnson, and Kareem Abdul Jabbar), and sitting in on their practice sessions as well! Curran even opened up his home to our Agawam boys who were in seventh heaven.

Scott returned to school and close to graduation he got his BIG BREAK! He was asked to fill an opening this summer as a graduate student athletic trainer at a basketball camp in the Los Angeles area. And since taking this job, where he will begin fulfilling the 1,000 hours needed to be certified as an athletic trainer, Scott has been asked to work as a student trainer in Portland, Oregon, where he will be able to continue his graduate studies at the same time! He certainly must be doing something right. We're all very happy and excited for you, Scott, and are looking forward to name in the headlines very soon.

We're happy to hear that BRIDGET RIVERS of Paul Revere Drive and RAYMOND MEZZETTI of Pheasant Hill Drive are back at their homes after a stay in the hospital. Your friends and neighbors are glad to have you back and hope you both continue to get well.

Congratulations go out to ALMA KENDALL of Pheasant Hill Drive, who is soon to become MRS. EDWARD BASSETT. After the August wedding, the couple plans to make their home in Enfield, Connecticut. Good luck to both of you, Alma and Ed.

A new Agawam citizen has arrived at the CINCOTTA household recently. STEPHEN & MARY CINCOTTA of 72 Joanne Circle are the proud parents of JOSEPH EMANUEL, who was born on June 19th, weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces, and measuring 19½ inches. "This is a big baby for me," says Mary, whose other two children were smaller yet.

Proud grandparents include EMANUEL & TINA CINCOTTA of 78 Meadow Street, Agawam, and ALICE & JOSEPH DE MARCO, both of Springfield.

Little Joseph's brother STEPHEN, and sister GINA seem to have accepted him very well and are showering him with hugs and kisses. "At least so far," adds Mom, knowingly. Best wishes to the whole Cincotta family.

Congratulations to FRANK & JANET HERSEY of 29 Meadowbrook Manor as they enjoy their 53rd year of marriage. The couple recently received a special letter from President and Mrs. Ronald Reagan commemorating the occasion and wishing them well.

A large family get-together was held at Sheraton West to celebrate the couple's June 30th anniversary. May you have many more happy years together.

Good luck and much happiness goes out to HOWARD COMAROLI of 25 Henry Street, who has just retired from Strathmore Paper Company after 44 years of hard work, first as a paper machine operator and, for the last 25 years, as master electrician both at the West Springfield and Woronoco plants. Howie and his wife MARY plan to enjoy thoroughly his leisure time, although word has it that Mary has some "minor" things with which to keep him busy. Best wishes for your future together.

If you have any item of social significance about local family or friends, give Penny a call at 786-9144 or drop her a note at 72 Federal Street, Agawam.

Scot Lass Visits Local Family



VISITING THE SIMPSON FAMILY of 57 Valentine Terrace from Scotland is SUSAN WESTWATER. Susan met Jennifer Lyman through a group called "Operation Friendship." Jennifer stayed in Susan's home in Edinburgh, Scotland last summer and this year Susan came here. Standing in photo, from left, is Mr. Lyman Simpson, daughter Jennifer, Susan of Scotland and Mrs. Simpson. Photo by Jack Devine.

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July 12th
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For Senior Citizens...

New Beginnings

By Rita White

Well our country just celebrated another birthday, and a new year is beginning. Let's all hope it is a good one.

While we were celebrating our country's independence, one of our senior citizens was celebrating another kind of anniversary. Mary Cahill Sullivan is a resident of Heritage Hall Nursing Home who was born in Ireland and grew up on a farm. She says she never did like it and never even learned to milk a cow. She doesn't even like milk. So when a cousin visited the farm from America and agreed to bring Mary back with her, there wasn't a moment's hesitation on Mary's part. She was more than willing to try the new land.

And so it was that Mary Cahill's ship docked in America on July 4, 1907 when she was just 17 years old. She came to Chicopee with her cousin and became a maid in the same household as her cousin. Six years later, she was to marry, and the marriage lasted 57 years before her husband died. They had six children, only two of whom are still living. There are seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mary was 91 on June 10th and a more charming, alert person you'd never want to meet. She talks of the many changes she has seen over the years. In the first house she worked, she remembers kerosene lamps, then on to gas and finally electricity. Mary came to our attention because of a poem that she gave to the nurses at Heritage Hall. Mary read the poem and loved it and memorized it more than 65 years ago. There was no author's name, but we'd like to give you the poem that means so much to Mary as it is how she feels about the nurses and the wonderful job they do.



GOD'S CHOSEN ANGELS, NURSES
In striped dress and slippers light
In cap and apron pure and white,
She glides along from night till day
Wearing her sweet, young life away.
She soothes the heads that are weary from pain.
She turns the pillows over again.
She smiles so sweetly they go to sleep,
While she with the angels the nightwatch keep.
Her touch is gentle, soothing, and light
Like the flowers that shine in the garden so bright.

Her smile is as fair as a bright spring day
That you want to linger and always stay.
Her duties are great, her hours are long.
Her life will soon pass like a sweet bird's song.
We all hope to meet her in that heavenly place
And many the loved ones will welcome her there.

We thank Mary for sharing this with us and know all you nurses out there will appreciate it.

A summer craft program will begin next week at the center. You can choose from decoupage, batik, candlemaking, macrame, soft sculpture, stichery and weaving. Call the center for time and day.

Lunches for next week sound pretty good. Monday, manicotti; Tuesday, roast beef hash; Wednesday, baked chicken legs; Thursday, tomato bisque soup; Friday, batterfry fish. Best buy on the block.

Last week we mentioned a "fun" wrinkle. We are talking about something being offered to you seniors out there. It is called a NEW WRINKLE. The Encore restaurant here in Agawam is going to offer a Sunday brunch for the seniors. The food and price will be compatible with your lifestyle and the brunch will be followed by several hours of dance music. The Encore is inviting all of you to an "Open House" with punch, hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar so that you can become acquainted with the place. There will also be dancing to "The Music of your Life." I think it is a terrific way to spend a Sunday afternoon, and I know that you will all enjoy it. Be sure and make the open house and find out what a "New Wrinkle" will be like.



Mary Cahill Sullivan.

Devine Photo.

Parents Without Partners Slate Orientations

Parents Without Partners will hold an orientation at the Rodeway Inn, Chicopee, on Monday, July 13th, at 7 p.m. and at Faith Church on Sumner Avenue, Springfield, on Tuesday, July 28th, for prospective members.

A general membership meeting will follow the orientation at 8 p.m. on July 13th. The speaker will be a member of the Red Cross water safety team.

The meeting is open to the public, but the regular Monday night record hop which follows is for members only.

Montgomery Fair Slated

The Montgomery Historical Society and the Montgomery Arts Council will co-sponsor the second annual Moose Meadow Arts and Crafts Fair on Saturday, October 3 and Sunday, October 4, in Montgomery Center. Rain dates are October 10 and 11. Applications are now available by contacting Joanne T. Hebert, Russell Road, R.F.D. 1, Montgomery, MA 01085. Crafts should be handmade, not from kits. Demonstrations are welcomed.

Christie. He also states, "Boys may be encouraged to be more active and to learn under more noisy conditions." That's easy for you to say!

This'n That

SECURITY BLANKET: A story appeared in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch about Joseph A. Politte's public search for a wife. Politte, 64, said his wife must be at least 59 and a non-recipient of Social Security. Such a wife could bring him an additional \$600 a month under

the federal Railroad Retirement Act. Politte is a retired railroad engineer. He also says his new wife doesn't have to live with him or love him. He has been stunned by the scores of responses he's received. Politte was shocked when an "attractive" woman in her 20s turned up on his doorstep to take him up on his offer. "It must be the economy," he said. "Something is out of

whack when women this young are jumping at these kinds of things." Maybe she's working her way through college.

DENTURE DILEMMA: Five elderly Spokane, Wash., residents had their teeth removed under a state-funded program last February. They were to receive dentures last March but were told that, because of budget cuts, no more money is

available. That's taking a bit of a bite out of life!

MALE DISTRACTIONS: Two Ohio State University professors have found that boys study better amid lots of noise, while girls perform more successfully in quiet settings. "Girls develop more quickly the ability to hear and, therefore, are more sensitive to noise levels," said assistant psychology professor, Daniel

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THE NEW FACES OF VALLEY FARMS DAIRY STORE are, from left, Jeannette DiFlumera, an Agawam resident, David Tourville, who will be keeping Valley Farms meats in tip-top shape, and Joseph Delimat, the store's district manager. Valley Farms opened its doors last week and all indications point to another big success in Feeding Hills Center. Photo by Jack Devine.

Valley Farms Dairy Store Opens In Feeding Hills Center

By Rita White

In case you haven't noticed, we have a new store in our midst. Valley Farms Dairy Store, located at 35 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills, isn't just another dairy store, however.

Valley Farms is one of ten such stores throughout Massachusetts with others located in South Hadley, East Hampton, and South Deerfield for example. Our Valley Farms store is special to us here in Agawam as two of our local residents can be found there.

Dave Tourville is the proprietor of the meat and deli department. Not only does Dave handle only top grade meats and name brands, you will find that his prices are more than reasonable and mean a lot of competition for the bigger stores in the area. Dave can give you custom cut meat at any time. Just look at the meats on display and the prices and you'll know that you have found yourself an excellent meat shop.

All you friends of Mrs. D, formerly of Mrs. D's store, will be happy to know that she has joined the staff at Valley Farms. It is really like old home week when you go into the store for the first time.

Aside from the usual, you will also find a bakery department at Valley Farms. It's nice to be able to stop in the morning and get those fresh bakery products to have with coffee.

Valley Farms, aside from carrying its own brand of dairy products, also features Hood's, which is certainly a household name in this area. Again, there are many featured items both in the in-house brand as well as in Hood's.

The home office for these stores is in South Hadley, and the supervisor of all the stores is Joseph Delimat. As general manager, it is likely to find him in any one of the stores at some time or another. Delimat and his staff are sure that Agawam will find the Valley Farms Dairy Store a welcome addition to this area.

In a way, it is almost one stop shopping at your fingertips. There is a book shop, restaurant, beauty parlor, and dentist all in the same shopping mall. It is very convenient, and we hope you will all take advantage of this super little shopping area so close to home.



There are 45 miles of nerves in the body.



8 YEAR OLD JOEY CURTIN of 45 Sherilan Lane, enjoys a tasty soft serve from the popular Stan's Soft Serve on Springfield Street.

Stan's Soft Serve Cools Hot Summer

By Rita White

With this hot, humid weather upon us, I find it difficult enough to put a meal on the table, let alone bother with providing a dessert. But I don't worry about it because I know that everyone will be happy to take a drive down to Stan's for some of their ice cream specialties.

Stan's Soft Serve is one of those family-owned and operated businesses that is so nice to have in the community. Barbara and Edward Young have been operating the business now for three years and are very pleased with it. Ed works a regular job so he is only in the shop evenings or whenever he can spare some time. Barbara really runs things along with some help from her son Mark and daughter Deborah. The Youngs have never been in any kind of business before, and the first few years have been a real learning experience for them, but they seem to have learned the lessons well.

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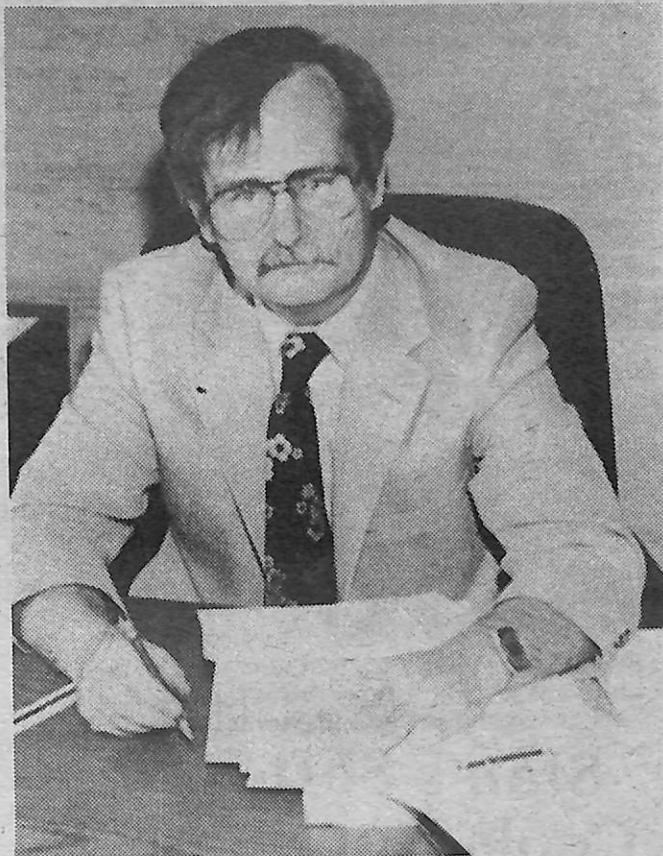
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John Walsh, CPA, Offers Sound Advice On Your Business-Personnel Finances

By Rita White



CPA John F. Walsh. Photo by Jack Devine.

Two people we are usually pretty careful about choosing to handle our personal affairs are a lawyer and a doctor. But there is another professional that we should take time in choosing, our accountant or tax person. We are fortunate here in Agawam to have a fine accountant who has just recently opened his offices locally.

John F. Walsh is a resident of Agawam and previously had his offices in West Springfield, but decided to open here in his own community. Walsh got his bachelor's degree from AIC and his master's from Western New England College. He teaches part-time in the evenings at WNEC now. He is a member of the Massachusetts Society of CPAs and gives seminars. He also belongs to the Speakers Bureau, and whenever Rotary Clubs or like organizations want a speaker with an accounting background, Walsh may be called upon. He will be giving one such talk in East Longmeadow soon on tax planning.

Walsh's clients fall into the smaller type of businesses, such as family-owned or closely-held businesses, but they do range all over Western Mass. He has recently signed up with a computer system so

that the bookkeeping will be computerized as well as the tax returns, thus eliminating such things as math errors and, of course, meaning faster, more efficient work.

One thing that should be mentioned here is that many times we choose our accountant too late. By that, we mean after the fact. Anyone thinking of starting up a business should really choose an accountant before the business is begun. As Walsh will point out, the accountant can sit down and discuss with you the type of business you are planning and what the future for it looks like. Then he can advise you as to whether to incorporate it, become a proprietorship, go in as partners with someone, or whatever may be the best system for your type of endeavor. At this same time, he can advise you on what type of books to set up and keep, possibly saving you a lot of time and money in the future when it comes to filing tax returns, etc.

When making up that list of important people necessary to your business or just your own personal financial affairs, be sure to put down the name of accountant, preferably that of John F. Walsh, whose offices are located at 46 Suffield Street, Agawam.

early evening meals when kids have ball games. While the grill does close at 6 p.m., up until then, you can get hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken nuggets, tacos, french fries, and more.

One of the big specialties of the house is strawberry shortcake with real shortcake. But, of course, the big drawing card is the ice cream. There are cones, sundaes, banana boats, and milk shakes. There is a strawberry lemonade that seems to be popular. Things wouldn't be complete without popcorn and pizza.

Another nice thing about Stan's is that it has been a place for some of our community's kids to work, a good experience for all parties concerned. In case you think some of those faces behind the screen look familiar, they may be Jerry Farandino, Robin Vogel, Kurt Murphy, Kim Fulvi, Kris Dahdah, and Ann Marie Quinn.

Whether you want a good, quick lunch or something really terrific for dessert, do yourself a favor and stop in at Stan's.

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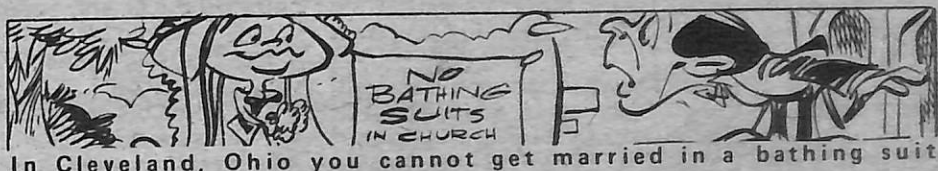
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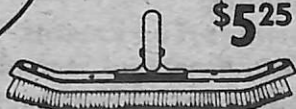
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OBITUARIES

George Alajanian

George Alajanian, 65, of 90 Granger Drive, Feeding Hills, died Sunday, July 5, 1981, in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield Hospital unit.

The former owner of the West Springfield Fish and Game Club, Agawam, he was a retired truck driver for Hermann's Forwarding Company. A member of Riverview, Florida, Moose Club, Holiday Ramblers Club and Local 671 Teamsters Retirees Club, he lived in Feeding Hills most of his life and belonged to St. John the Devine Armenian Church.

He leaves his wife, Jean (Lenville), a daughter Rosemary Sandlin, a member of the Agawam School Committee, a sister Doris Quackenbush of St. Petersburg, Florida; and four grandchildren, George, LeeAnn, John and Paul Sandlin.

Curran-Jones Funeral Home, Agawam, was in charge of services with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery. Donations may be made to St. John the Devine Armenian Church Building Fund, 284 Bridge Street, Springfield.

Nella Bailey Bangs

Nella Bailey Bangs, 70, died June 25, 1981, in St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford, Massachusetts. Born in Agawam, she attended Agawam schools and graduated from Agawam High School in 1928. She and her husband Clarence had resided in Fairhaven, Mass., for the last 41 years.

A member of the Fairhaven Unitarian Memorial Church, she was a staff member of the Star Island religious education program, former president of the Allen Class, and director of the pre-school program.

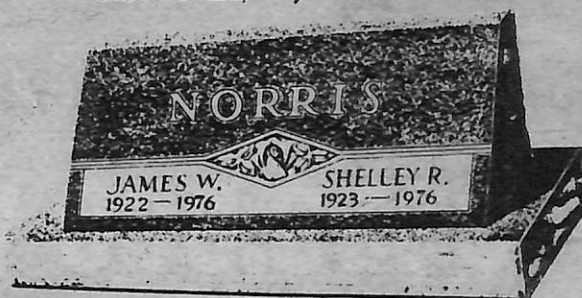
A retired teacher of the Fairhaven school system, she and her husband were the first residents of the greater New Bedford area to host an American Field Service student in their home.

On June 7, 1981, the Bangs celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Besides her husband, she leaves two sons, Lawrence of Newark, Vermont, and Cameron of Oregon City, Oregon; a daughter, Dianna Tate of Mat-tapoisett; a twin brother Chester of St. Johnsbury, Vermont, and eleven grandchildren.

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SCHOOL NEWS



Pharmacy grad Gary Kerr. Photo by Jack Devine.

Kerr Graduates Pharmacy College

Gary Kerr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Kerr of 622 North West Street, Feeding Hills, was recently awarded a bachelor of science degree in pharmacy from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences, Hampden campus, located on the grounds of Western New England College.

A 1975 graduate of Agawam High School, Kerr served as senior class president at the college, earned Dean's List honors, was named to the National Dean's List, and won the 1981 Dean's Award for scholastic achievement, leadership qualities, and extracurricular involvement.

Kerr's "Know Your Drugs" column appears bi-weekly in the *Agawam Advertiser/News*.

Students Attain WSC Dean's List

Dr. John F. Nevins, Vice President for Academic Affairs at Westfield State College, has announced the undergraduates who have been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester. To qualify, students must attain a grade point average of 3.3 out of 4.0.

Among those earning places on the list are Liann Alves of 53 Fairview Street, Judith Andrews of 19 Briar Hill Road, Kathleen Anspach of 733 Suffield Street, Cynthia Barrett of 20 Amherst Avenue, and Cindy Beaulieu of 64 Valentine Terrace.

Also, Jeffrey Brusig of 130 South Park Terrace, Scott Chapman of 36 Florida Drive, William Hildreth of 55 Clematis Road, Mary Houser of 15 Plantation Drive, and Gary Labine of 32 Amherst Avenue.

Also, Wendy Landry of 1506 Main Street, Mary Letourneau of 304 Cooper Street, Roger Mason of 857 Springfield Street, Scott Morrison of 135 School Street, and Philomena Napoli of 31 Rowley Street.

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WSC Offers Mini Fortran Course

Westfield State College is offering a mini course on FORTRAN for high school students interested in possible careers in computer science. The workshop will be held Wednesday, July 15, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will be in Wilson Hall, room 127.

Dr. Timothy Bergendahl, coordinator of computer science studies at Westfield State, will be instructing. Several aspects of the FORTRAN language will be offered with emphasis on numerical computation.

A \$15 charge will include lunch, and advance reservations are recommended as class size is limited. For additional information, call the Office of Economic Development Projects at the college at 568-3311.

AHS Band Officers Announced

The Agawam High School Band and Color Guard officers recently elected to serve for the next year have been announced. Andy Lester will serve as president; Ellen Fanning, vice-president; Joseph Curran, secretary; Alisa LaFrancis, treasurer, and Barry Wu, manager.

Drum majors for the coming year, who will also attend drum major camp in Amherst this month, are Alisa LaFrancis and Anna Greguoli.

Color guard captains chosen from the ranks of the senior guard and who will also attend camp at the University of Connecticut this month are Cheryl DeSpir, captain for rifles; Denise Borello and Linda Peck, captains for junior flags; and Diane Melanson and Lisa LaRiviere, captains for sophomore flags.

Serving as next year's sophomore flag section will be Andrea Govoni, Kerri Craig, Lin Cavanaugh, Eva Burmeister, Carolyn Rosner, Debbie Twarog, Kim Craven, Nicole Marsh, Sarah Short, AmyLou Porter, Mina Larocca, Michelle Rolland, Lynn Borowiec, Tami Miranda, Lisa Letendre, Michelle Gumbs, Donna Liamis, and Lori-Anne Smith.

All groups have already undergone some training sessions and more are planned for the later part of the summer. Marching band has openings for bass drummers in its expanded percussion section. Students with or without experience interested in filling these positions may contact Darcy Davis.

Abbey Graduates Penn State University

Gregory R. Abbey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Abbey of 226 Colemore Street, Feeding Hills, received a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Penn State University. A 1976 graduate of Agawam High School, he holds an associate degree in engineering from Springfield Technical Community College.

Abbey will be employed by Bennix Field Engineering Corporation in Columbia, Maryland, in the microwave field. He plans to do graduate study at the University of Maryland.

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DiPietro To Phelps



Gloria DiPietro, of 47 Bridge Street, former secretary to the principal of the now closed Katherine Danahy School, was recently appointed as secretary to Mr. William Miller, principal of Phelps Elementary School. Good luck Mrs. DiPietro in your new position.

Riverside Park Has Two New Rides

Beginning in early July, Riverside Park will add two exciting new rides to its already fun-filled acreage of over 100 rides, shows, and special attractions.

The Grand Prix racer is the first of these two thrillers and consists of 32 individual "mini" racing cars that travel over an oval track, simulating a Grand Prix driving experience. Each car will accommodate one passenger and should attract a large number of Mario Andretti fans to test their driving ability.

The second of the two will be called the Sea Dragon and is a large, 40-foot Viking type vessel that swings back and forth like a huge pendulum, increasing speed as it swings its crew of passengers through the air.

According to General Manager and owner Edward J. Carroll, Jr., "We've been searching quite a while for some new rides that would have a strong appeal to our patrons, and I think we've come up with two exciting ones that will make a big hit with all ages."

Riverside, located on Main Street, opens each day at 10 a.m. through the summer.

Local Students Graduate SC

Seven local residents were among the 736 graduates of Springfield College who received degrees at the college's recent commencement exercises.

Deborah Besse of 415 Springfield Street was awarded a master of education degree.

Gino Mercadante of 73 Ottawa Street was awarded a bachelor's degree cum laude.

Janice Mierzejewski of 62 Colonial Avenue was awarded a master of education degree.

Lynn-Ann Ringuette of 147 Corey Colonial was awarded a bachelor's degree magna cum laude.

Ernest R. Silkey of 420 Main Street was awarded a master of education degree.

William Ortiz of Pheasant Hill Village was awarded a bachelor's degree.

June M. Sullivan of 59 Hope Farms Drive was awarded a bachelor's degree.

Library Offers Films

The summer movie schedule being followed at the Agawam Public Library will feature family-type films each Thursday evening beginning at 7 p.m.

On Thursday, July 9th, the dramatization of "Brightly of Grand Canyon" will please all animal lovers.

On Thursday, July 16, Walt Disney fun will occur in the incredible adventures experienced in "The Shaggy Dog."

Plan to attend these free films being offered for families in town this summer.

Cathedral High Class of '56 Plans Reunion

Cathedral High School Class of 1956 is planning its 25th year reunion on October 10th at the Willow Glen in East Longmeadow.

Members of the class not already contacted are asked to call Alice (O'Donnell) Wydra at 568-0675, Kathy (Hintley) Seward at 736-1649, or Carolyn (O'Connor) Connelly at 782-4905.

Salem State Dean List

Karen Piquette of Agawam has been named to the Dean's List at Salem State College for the spring semester 1981.

Laughing Brook Activities

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden is sponsoring a day-long investigation and introduction to Arcadia Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, July 18, beginning at 9 a.m. Staff naturalist Tom Tynning will lead participants along the trails. The tour is open to the public, a program fee is charged, and reservations are required in advance.

A three-session Nature Photography Workshop will begin on Sunday, July 19th, from 10 a.m. to noon under the direction of William Tompkins, well-known photographer. For work with 35 mm. cameras, the workshop will feature indoor orientation, an outside work session, and a final critique. It is open to adults, a fee is charged, and reservations will be accepted on a limited space basis.

Another session of Wildflowers Through The Seasons will be held on Sunday, July 19th, at 1 p.m. Staff member Joe Choiniere will lead the walk. It is open to the public, a fee is charged, and reservations are required in advance.

A special three-day program for 4's and 5's on July 21, 22, and 23 from 10 a.m. to noon will introduce youngsters to the wonder of nature via explorations, crafts, games and live animals. The program is open to the public for a fee and pre-registration is required.

For more information on any of these programs call Laughing Brook at 566-8034.

Letters to the Editor

Freshman Times Praised Again

To The Editor:

I don't often write letters to editors (in fact, this is my first) but I felt I wanted you to know how impressed our entire family was with your student journalistic effort *The Freshman Times*. It was a professional work throughout, of interest not only to the student population and teachers throughout the system, but to all Agawam citizens. How fortunate we are in this town to have someone of your ability willing to give his time to a group of young people, sharing with them his very considerable knowledge of the newspaper profession. You and Judi Lech (to whom I have also written) and, of course, the students themselves are to be commended for such a first rate performance.

I hope that in the future we can see more of this type of professional cooperation in which everyone benefits. Congratulations and thank you.

Mrs. Mary Bennett

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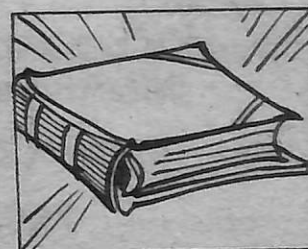
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Football Boosters Prepare Program

The Agawam High School Football Booster Club has taken a bullish attitude towards the impact of Proposition 2 1/2 on the varsity football program.

Realizing that budget cuts may injure a rebuilding program under the watchful eye of coach Jack Michalak, Booster Club members have begun an aggressive campaign to raise funds and to galvanize interest in Brownie football.

"That thing ('thing' in this instance meaning 2 1/2), has put a bit more pressure on the Booster Club's outlook on high school football in town," says newly elected club president Bill Euliano.

"In order to make sure the program can continue as it did before, we have undertaken a major fundraising project for the summer months and will try to build on our efforts this year for future years," he added.

Booster Club members and varsity coach Michalak have been seen throughout the community soliciting advertising and mustering support for a varsity football program similar to the ones a professional sports team sells to its fans.

The program, now being assembled, will include pictures of players, coaches, cheerleaders and much information about the football at the high school.

Euliano pointed out that because the community remains deeply rooted in football tradition, merchants and supporting patrons "have been just great in our efforts to make the football program a success."

Michalak has spearheaded the program book, says Euliano.

"The response of the community has been just outstanding," he said. "There are many football fans in this town and what we're trying to do is bring out the old-timers back to Harmon Smith Field. The program book will be an annual project and we couldn't have done it without Jack (Michalak) or without the support of people in this town."

The Booster Club began several years ago. A small band of "jocks" as Euliano describes, formed to rekindle fan interest for Brownie football and to ensure that all graduating seniors who had been in the program for 3 years were awarded jackets.

When the School Committee cut the school's transportation budget to offset 2 1/2, Booster Club members met with Michalak to decide how the support group could help.



FOOTBALL BOOSTER CLUB PRESIDENT BILL EULIANO (left) goes over details for the club's 1981 Agawam High School football program. Looking on with Euliano are club officers, from left, Al Riberty, Dicky Diullo and John Negrucci. The program will be available in September. Photo by Jack Devine.

Euliano says that proceeds from the program book and through other fundraisers, including a 50's night at the National Guard Armory this fall, the Booster Club will pay some \$1,200 for team transportation.

The Club also plans on paying for game films which were cut from the School Department budget. Cost for films approaches the \$1,000 mark.

"We felt that the transportation of the kids and the game films were two very important parts of the program," Euliano explained. "Game films are an important part of coaching since the coach can show his players on the screen what went right or wrong. Also, many college scouts depend on game films to take a look at high school players and their abilities."

This season the Booster Club and Michalak have devised a "sticker-on-the-helmet" system to award players for outstanding play on the gridiron, similar to the system set up at Ohio State University.

"The better the kid plays the more stickers that will be on his helmet each game," Euliano said. "We thought this was a good way to reward players instead of giving them two free tickets to the movies as we have done in the past."

According to Euliano, player response to the sticker system was "more than receptive."

Booster Club menu for September includes the annual "Opening Night Smoker." Here members gather with Michalak and his coaching staff to discuss the upcoming season.

On Thanksgiving morning the Booster Club will again host its annual breakfast prior the traditional clash between Agawam and West Springfield High Schools.

The Booster Club has grown to over 100 members and Euliano says a renewed membership drive will continue this fall. Booster Club memberships cost \$3.

Riverside Slates Memorial 200 Race

By Larry Bouchard

On tap Saturday night, July 11, at the Riverside Park Speedway will be the first annual Edward Carroll Sr. 200 lap memorial race, named after the late Carroll, founder of the largest amusement park in New England.

Carroll put Agawam and racing on the map after decades of improvements. His one biggest interest was auto racing. Big names in racing when he first built the 1/5 mile track were Benny Germano, Jerry Humiston, Buddy Krebbs, Ed Patnode, and the late

Dick Dixon. They had flat head engines, coupe bodies and running boards.

When speeds picked up, Carroll built the improved 1/4 mile track which is presently the fastest track in the Northeast.

Carroll was a dedicated fan of racing, always working with track promoters to better the sport and to keep in contact with drivers. Saturday's event pays tribute to him.

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O'Malleys Wins Two In TC Play

By Charles J. Duclos

Tri-County action continued with O'Malley Printers notching a pair of wins. Early last week Hadley Burger King fell to the locals, 8-2 as Paul "Wizard" Gramarossa hurled a fine game for the win. The "Wiz" gave up two runs in the first inning, but O'Malley's Jack Dougherty and Lou Conte evened it up as each smashed solo homers.

Hadley's only other threat came in the top of the fifth when they managed to load the bases. With two outs Conte showed why he is the league's best short-stop.

Lou saved the day with a finger-tip snare of a short looper in short leftfield to short-out the South Hadley threat.

Gramarossa pitched near flawless ball in the 6th and 7th frames. Runs scored for O'Malley's were orchestrated by Jeff LaBranch (2), Conte (2) and singletons were scored by Dave Stefano, Dougherty, Craig Plante and John McGurk. RBI's went to LaBranch, Conte, Plante, McGurk, Dougherty, and Tom Nodell.

Mike "Snake" Riley gave up only five hits and two runs as Union Auto Parts were laid to rest on Monday by O'Malley's.

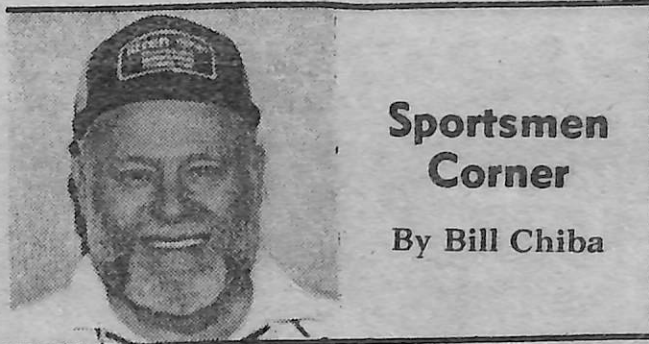
In the third and seventh frames Union brought across solo tallies but otherwise could not sting the Snake, who exhibited great control.

Union held O'Malley until the sixth as a single to left by Scott Herd brought home Andy Paine and tied the score at 1-1.

Trailing 2-1 in the seventh, O'Malley staged a stirring comeback. Mark Guindon stroked a single to center. Steve Mercadante was called in as the pinchrunner. Joe Miller singled Mercadante to third and Paine's single plated Mercadante. 2-2.

With 1 out John Plante was walked intentionally to load the bases. Herd powered a shot to deep center to give O'Malley the well earned victory.

UPCOMING ACTION: July 13, Chicopee Tigers at Sot Park at 7 p.m.; July 4, Holyoke Allies at McKenzie Field at 7:30 p.m.; July 15, Central Chevrolet at Westfield Vocational at 6 p.m.



Sportsmen Corner

By Bill Chiba

Some anglers are still having a time fishing for trout and limits are being taken. Greenwater Pond in Lee is the location. Doug Godet, Ajax Welding Co., Agawam, fished from shore with nightcrawlers and he and his two buddies took their limit of rainbows and browns. There still are a few landlock salmon in the pond. I haven't heard of anybody hooking one lately. Mike Madamas, Westfield, and his companion used a canoe and caught several trout fishing with corn in the rain the other day.

Lance Poirer and this writer fished Littleville recently and struck out on trout and also could not find the bullheads. Angelo Borgatti and Tony Pisano have been scoring regularly on horn pout on various ponds in the area. I have fished with Angie and he has the knack when it comes to catching warm water fish. Don't get me wrong; Tony is no slouch when it comes to nailing bullheads. They make a good pair.

Steel Shot zones are proposed by the Interior Department for this fall's duck season. In the Atlantic flyway zones are proposed for Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, and Virginia.

In Massachusetts, the boundaries are as follows: **Essex County-** north boundary, Mass. and N.H. lines (in the town of Salisbury); west boundary, U.S. Route 1 (in Salisbury) from the state line southward to the Parker River; south boundary, Parker River and lands 150 yards south of the south bank of the Parker River; east boundary, Atlantic Ocean and the boundaries of the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge.

Also, the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge and Plum Island, including Plum Island State Park.

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Little League Baseball

SENIORS BEGIN PLAYOFFS

June 29th, the Sarat Ford Orioles won over the Police Association Yankees with Orioles' pitcher Mike Butt throwing a 5-hitter and fanning 11 at the plate. Tim Wycoff hit a grand slam for the Orioles, and Chris White went 2 for 2. The Orioles now face Raffol Insurance Red Sox for first round playoffs, as both teams ended in a mid-June tie.

June 30th was an important win for the Soda City Dodgers over Raffol Insurance Red Sox as this win tied these two teams for second round games. Pitcher Joe Warren not only did well on the mound but played heads up defense. Bringing in RBI's were Warren, Billy Champagne, and Bobby Berthiaume.

July 2 was a win for the Dodgers and put them into first place for the second round and they will now play the winner of the one-game playoff for first round champion. Dodger pitcher John Alves showed great control in pitching a 2-hitter with 13 strike-outs. Banging singles for the Dodgers were Bob Berthiaume, Bill Champagne, Dave Champagne, and John Alves.

INDIANS MAJOR CHAMPS

June 29th was a victory for the Polish Club Indians over the Lions' Dodgers giving the Indians the Major Division title. Jay Miller had a superb night for the Indians as he not only pitched a great game, but knocked in six runs with two homers going over the fence. Todd Godek chalked up his seventh homer of the season as well. Tom Cascio knocked in two runs with a double. The Indians, under the direction of Manager Nick Borrello assisted by John Godek, ended the season 15-2.

MINORS END SEASON

June 27th Game 1: Lucia Lumber Yankees beat the Agawam Bowl Mets with pitcher Matthew McLean throwing three super innings and making an unassisted double play as well as turning in a solid hitting performance. Joe Magnani and Benjie Ferris executed a 5-4-5 out on a Mets runner. Mark Calvanese, Gary Nardi, Joe Magnani, Kurt Cormier, Greg Librera, and Jim Cichetti all had a good day at the plate. Gary Nardi did well catching, and Jim Cichetti did well in relief pitching. Greg Librera played heads-up defense, and Chris Cosgrove broke down a Mets rally. The Yankees ended the season 5-4.

Keith O'Connell and Shawn Smith shared pitching for the Mets, and excellent catching was performed by Dave Noonan. Jeff Pirro, SS, made some excellent defensive stops. Carlo Vivencio smacked a double, and Shawn Wandri had a single. David Noonan was hot at 3 for 3 followed by Jeff Pirro at 3 for 4.

June 27, Game 2: Look Oil Dodgers beat the Beauty Boutique Red Sox. Behind the pitching of John Battista and John Pagliaro, the Red Sox players Ted Tabin and Scott Mertz made some good infield plays along with Jeff Perreault. Good outfield defense came from John Cullins, Dave McKay, and Dennis Egan. Connecting at the plate were Brian McCarthy and John Battista.

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3-7
2-9

On June 29, the Reds outslugged the Yankees by the score of 13-9.

On June 30, the Phillies won their fifth game in a row with a victory over the Red Sox. Rick Gordon pitched for the Phillies and was supported by the big bats of Paul Morris, Dan DeMatos, Vin Cardaropoli, and Brian O'Malley. Tim Burns once again came up from the 9-10 division to play an outstanding second base for the Phillies.

Big hitter for the Red Sox was Ken Berard.

On July 2, the Yankees defeated the Royals behind the terrific pitching of Mickey Lunden, who also homered to aid his own cause. Mike Avis and Leo Santinello had good games both at bat and in the field.

SHAA 13-15 Girls Games

The first week in July saw Rockwell International take two games from Lunden Construction and a third from Edward's Drug to move into a tie for first place in the Sacred Heart Athletic Association's 13-15

girls league.

Getting the win pitching the first game for Rockwell was Cindy Casavant and Tracy Peck got the second win, with relief pitching coming after four innings from Cindy Casavant.

Defense in these games was led by shortstop Kathy Piezlo and leftfielder Tammy Ferrioli. Hitting stars were centerfielder Lori Jury and catcher Sue Lindsey.

The third game was a pitchers duel between Cindy Casavant and Darlene Vignato for Edward's, and Cindy's superb effort won out. Offense was led by LeeAnn Sandlin, Tracy Peck, Carolyn Rosner, and Cindy Casavant. Spectacular defensive catches were made by Michelle Gray and Chris Menard.

AAA Update**8-10 BOYS DIVISION**

The Agawam Advertiser/News team led by the pitching of Vinnie Cremonti and an excellent series of defensive plays captured the 8-10 boys championship by defeating Agawam TV Service. Travis Hyland, Jeff Luttrell, Scott Anderson, and George and Chris Corgan played exceptional defense.

In the first game, Cremonti struck out 15 batters and walked only 3. Hitting well were George Corgan, Travis Hyland, Vinnie Cremonti, Jeff Luttrell, and Todd Greene. Mike Keene homered for TV Service.

In the second game, George Corgan and Cremonti combined to strike out 13 and, along with Todd Greene, got two hits each. Catcher George Corgan's throwing out three runners at second base and shortstop Jeff Luttrell's good defense aided in the victory.

Jeff Jeanotte and Dean Proakis both had two hits for TV Service, and Aaron Vanderhoof along with Proakis pitched well in a losing cause.

SOFTBALL FINAL STANDINGS**8-10 League**

Jay-c-ettes	15-0
Feeding Hills Pharmacy	9-6
Agawam Firefighters	8-7
Feeding Hills Florist	7-8
Heritage Hall	4-11
Elks 2174	1-14

11-13 League

Valley Community Church	13-2
Agawam Lions Club	12-3
Polish Club	8-7
Catholic Women's Club	7-8
Kiwanis	2-13
Toomey O'Brien	2-13

The girls softball program this year boasts the largest participation ever with 18 teams and 180 girls involved. The instructional program for girls 6-7 years old grew by two teams this year.

Much thanks and appreciation is expressed to the following coaches:

6-7 Instructional: David Larrivee, Richard Zielenki, Lee Lacienski, Mike Martin, Tom Ruggiero, John Higgins, Jr.

8-10 League: Armand Rea, Dolly LaFleur, Bobbie Meissner, Paul Small, Laurie Wright, Ted Tabin

11-13 League: Ron Placzek, James Rockwell, Wayne Osentoski, Dick Kosinski, Fran Vivenzio, Tony Lucia.

PIRANHA SWIM TEAM

The AAA Piranha Swim Team has already been hard at work practicing and competing. Two of the seven scheduled meets have been held, one against East Longmeadow and another against Hampshire Regional.

The Agawam swimmers scored over 200 and brought in many first, second and third place distinctions in these two meets.

They will swim the Pioneer Valley Championships at Look Park in Northampton (Florence) on Saturday, July 25 and Sunday, July 26.

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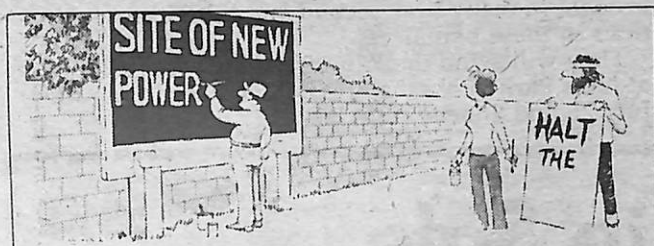
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4. Don't show off in the water. Showoffs cause many fatal accidents every year.
5. Don't attempt a rescue unless you are a strong swimmer. You are only likely to get into trouble if you do.
6. Cool off before plunging into cold water. Cramps or heart failure may be brought on by sudden changes in temperature.
7. If you can't swim, stay out of small boats. Never go out in a canoe or rowboat unless you can swim to shore or are wearing a flotation device.
8. Pay strict attention to warning signals. They were put here for your protection.
9. Race toward the shore, not away from it. When swimming, go out like a lamb and back like a lion.
10. Know your limitations. Don't go beyond your limits just because someone dares you.



Legion Squad Blasts East Side, 8-1

By Charles J. Duclos

The second round of American Legion baseball got underway on Monday evening, as Agawam's Post 185 posted a big win over East Springfield, 8-1.

Tim Ayre was credited with two RBI's with Dave Lyne, Tony Venturini, and John Calabrese being credited with one each.

Tuesday night the Wilson-Thompson players were not as fortunate as they went down to defeat at the hands of West Springfield. Incidentally, the West Siders are guided under the watchful eye of Hentry Kozloski, an Agawam resident.

Henry's team jumped off to an early lead and by mid-point in the action had picked up seven backbreaking tallies. A single run in the eighth and a double tally in the ninth gave the West Side group an easy 10-3 win.

John Calabrese and Timmy Ayre were credited with bringing home Dave Lyne and Scott Negrucci, while Tony Venturini crossed home in the bottom of the sixth on a wild pitch for Agawam's third and final run.

UPCOMING GAMES: July 10, Westfield; July 14, Ludlow; July 15, Chicopee. These three games are at home (Agawam High School). July 16 will be an away game against Liberty at Springfield's VanHorn Park. All games start at 5:30 p.m.

AAA Suburban Softball Results

The AAA 13-15 girls suburban team found their share of first place short-lived having suffered successive losses this past week.

Down by a dozen runs to Longmeadow in the fifth inning of that game, the locals made a spectacular comeback only to give up the winning run in the seventh. Kelly Slamon, Lena Kozloski, Leah Negrucci, Ellen Calkins, and Debbie Dalton led the hit parade.

Against arch-rival West Springfield, the girls again came up short after jumping off to an early lead.

Games next week are at Borgatti Field on Tuesday at 6 p.m. against the Agawam Flyers and on Thursday in Ludlow against the Ludlow Girls Club.

Welcome To My World....

By Charles J. Duclos

"The British are coming!! The British are coming!! The Agawam Soccer Association will host a soccer team at the Agawam Middle School in two games beginning at 5:30 p.m. The teams from across the Atlantic are touring Western Massachusetts and are being housed by the West Springfield Soccer Association.

Foot action at 5:30 when the English invade this weekend will pit coach Rich Parolo's 14 and under boys' team, playing in their familiar B&H Despatch colors and representing the ASA. Their English counterparts will square off with this group and at 6:45 their travelling companions, the 16 and under squad will match skills against coach Bill O'Brien's Roadrunner Muffler's sponsored eleven.

A "Friendship Tournament" is scheduled for the following weekend. July 17, Friday, at 5:30 p.m. will find West Springfield playing the British nationals in two games - 16 and under and 14 and under. On Saturday Agawam will play Chicopee at 1:00 p.m. Second age group names will follow right after the first. The teams winning on Friday and Saturday will play in the finals on Sunday, July 19, at 1:00 p.m. All games will be played at West Springfield High School.

The Easter Seal Society of Western Massachusetts is sponsoring its 4th annual "softball marathon" for the benefit of handicapped children and adults in this area. Softball teams from throughout the Hampden-Hampshire county area are invited to register and play in this tournament. Games will be played at Sheldon Field, Northampton, on July 25, and at Forest Park and Blunt Park, Springfield, on August 8 and 9, respectively. Participating teams will receive trophies, soda, T-shirts, etc. where applicable.

Your team can play softball and support Easter Seals' programs such as summer camp for handicapped children and young children. In addition, this agency provides therapy and counselling, rehabilitation services, swim programs, stroke clubs, and awareness events.

Sponsor forms and additional information may be obtained by calling Ms. Kathy Lipman at the Easter Seal Society 380 Union Street, West Springfield, or by calling 734-6434.

Michelle and Deanne Duclos, as well as Kathy and Katie Slaimen, are volunteers this summer at Camp Rainbow, the summer program for children with special needs. Conducted at the Robinson Park Elementary School and sponsored by the Town, Dr. Neil Wilensky is the program's director.

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